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division could be. He said, in answer to a sentence of the Senator, that since last October his brigade had been waiting patiently for the command to advance, the volunteers never having entered winter quarters, and many of them having no fire in their tents. It was not his part to advance, but, like good soldiers, his brigade waited patiently for orders from the proper authority, when he believed they would be cheerfully and faithfully obeyed. He was thankful for the beautiful banner, but could not see what act of his had deserved it. [Col. McQuade—] Every act of yours, sir, has characterized you as a perfect gentleman."] Col. Martindale was called for, and responded with a very creditable address. Some sentences in his speech were very noble characteristically. Loud cries followed for Col. Martindale, the Sixty-second Pennsylvania. Previously he had leaked out that the General remained in "state of single blessedness." Col. Blaine "took it up," and for sometime kept the auditory in roar at the General's expense. He closed it one of those perorations of eloquence for which he is so widely celebrated, and as all who heard him on a former occasion can testify.

Hon. James K. Moorhead, Representative from Pennsylvania, then stepped forward, and entertained all for sometime in an excellent speech. The Sixty-second Pennsylvania Regiment is named the "Moorhead Rifles," in honor of him. Many of the words spoken by the

Speaker the brigade hoped to fulfil on the day of battle.

Speeches were made by Col. McQuade, of the Fourteenth New York, and others, which time will not permit to review; suffice it to say, they were good.

As the day was beautiful, the edibles first class, the speeches and music excellent, and the ladies pretty and agreeable, the whole affair was, indeed, pleasant, and will not soon be forgotten by all who participated.

Yours, &c.,

HEZEKIAH.

STARTLING DISCLOSURES

The K. G. C. a Treasonable Order

The last number of the *Capital City Free* published at Columbus, Ohio, comes to us as a long leader, from which we make the following extracts:

In referring at this time to the dangerous order of the Knights of the Golden Circle, we beg to be understood as doing so through honest conviction, derived from reliable sources, that the order is now working itself into the Union cause through channels little thought of by those whose honest loyalty render them credulous and easily satisfied that it is working for the best. We have many

showing a lack in regard to the workings of the machinery of the Government, that we are restrained from making public by independent considerations, and we assure our friends that vigilant measures are on foot throughout the Union to place the microscopists to their dens and caves of the earth.

Their organization is extraordinarily complete, but not as perfect as their terrible outfit design it should be.

Good friends will all demonstrate that the G. C. is much more formidable, both in numbers and purposes, than many are aware of. Those whose business it is to institute inquiry in this direction are satisfied that General Grant's army would have been a mere militia in a shining light of the base order; and they have the same authority for being satisfied that they receive aid and comfort from our foreign friends, who would like to see the fabric of our former Government crumble into predictions, by falling to pieces. It will doubtless be shown, in good time, that there are G. C.'s among the nobility—the Tories—of England, who are doing a large and regular organized lodge for the purpose of effecting the overthrow of this Government.

We have good reason to believe that above statements in regard to the existence, extent, and objects of the order is true. I have been invited by a Baobian army-officer in Massachusetts, that just before the fall of Fort Sumter he was solicited to join a sec-

organization, the avowed purpose of which was to resist the passage of troops from across the soil of that State, for the purpose of "subjecting our brethren of the South."

A gentleman in high position in the State of Maine, who says he knows his statements are true, says of this order:

There is ample proof of its existence, all and doings. The organization extends through all the Northern States and into Canada. Its immediate object is the success of the South in the restoration of the Union, and the disunion straight Democratic party. Here the organization is mostly composed of the party demagogues throughout the North.

This organization, it is well known, exists in all sections of the South just before the breaking out of the rebellion. Its advent was heralded by the Richmond Dispatch, the first and the vilest traitor sheet of Virginia, in something of this style :

There will soon be organized in this country a secret order, which has ramifications through this country and Europe. It is composed of the most respectable man of the nation. Louis Napoleon, it is said, belongs to it. Not being one of the 'initiated' as yet we do not say what its purpose or design is.

One thing is certain: This rebellion, in its incipency and progress, has revealed the existence of a well-organized and preconcerted plan, but whether due to this organization or not, is a matter which our authorities would do well to look into.

A Brush on the Tennessee River.
CAIRO, March 3, 1866.

To Hon. GIBSON WELLES, SECRETARY OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON.

Lieut. Com. Shirk has this moment arrived from the Tennessee river, and brings full particulars from Lieut. Com. Winn, of the Tennessee, a synopsis of which is, that the two gunboats proceeded up to Pittsburg, near the Mississippi line, where a battery was opened upon the Confederates, and the gunboats were disabled. The loss of four 6-pounder guns, one of which was being filled, which were soon silenced by the gunboats.

Ninety men landed, under cover of the gunboats and charged upon the enemy driving them some distance, until they were strongly repulsed, when our party withdrew to the boats. When this repulse occurred the Confederates were being repulsed with great slaughter. The casualties on our side amounted to 10 killed and missing, and five wounded.

Commanders Winn and Shirk, with the command, behaved with great gallantry and judgment.

A nomination for town officers has just taken place in Hardin county, Tennessee, which resulted in two hundred votes for the Union ticket and thirteen for the secession.

A. H. FOOTNOTES